

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

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'Hamlet,' a Story

Worth Telling

and in Hope, Too

The plays of Shakespeare are like women's clothes — common-place on ordinary people, but when the right figure comes along they are wonderful.

That Shakespeare has such a bad name in the modern theater is because there are more vaudeville hams and schoolroom electioneers than great actors. It takes the greatest of actors to play the greatest of dramatists.

And you can name the great actors of two generations in a paragraph. There was Edwin Booth, a Maryland boy, born in 1833, who made America famous for his interpretation of "Hamlet." In England a generation ago there was Henry Irving, and also Forbes-Robertson. But in our time there have been only two, both Americans: John Barrymore, who dropped a musical comedy career in the 1920s to play Shakespeare's story of the melancholy Dane; and the other was Walter Hamden. Both played "Hamlet" to packed houses in New York.

(Since writing the above I am reminded that E. H. Sothern and Julia Marlowe were pretty good, too. Correct. They toured America 1910-1914, and were seen in stage by thousands of Arkansians.)

Now there's a new and startlingly great figure on the Shakespearean stage — Laurence Olivier — and he has made "Hamlet" into a motion picture that not only won the Academy Award last year as the best film of 1948, but won for himself the "Oscar" as the best actor of the year, and three other awards besides — an unprecedented total of five for one picture! On top of that, it was a picture of an American giving away all these trophies to a production that came here from England, which is also incredible.

I haven't seen Laurence Olivier's "Hamlet" that I am now recommending to you, but I know the actor, as you do, too. If you'll recall, you have already seen Laurence Olivier in seven previous productions. The first was "Wuthering Heights," and the other was "Rebecca."

He made a great gamble, turning to Shakespeare after these popular successes, but this is what "Hamlet" won for him: the way of Academy Awards. The best picture of the year, (2) best actor of the year, (3) best director in black-and-white photography, (4) best interior decoration in black-and-white picture, and best achievement in costume design.

Not only all this — but "Hamlet" is packing 'em in wherever it shows in America.

I grant you it's a gamble taking a night off to play by Shakespeare. Sometimes you are gripped by what you see — but also there's a rare occasion when you're sorry you didn't go. "Macbeth" at the old Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) Opera house, and he muffed his lines — twice.

The next year an unknown came to town in Hamlet. I heard about it from a friend. "In the grave-diggers scene," said my friend, "this guy Hamlet loved with a skull at his foot, then rolled the skull to exactly one inch from the footlights. That was at the matinee. I was back again for the night performance. And he did it again — he rolled the skull to exactly one inch from the footlights."

It was a smash hit, that "Hamlet," played at the old Opera House back home, by an actor no one had ever heard of. He was young, he was handsome, he was on the road, heading in from New York, he was all right. His name was Walter Hamden — and he didn't leave New York again for 20 years. He's old now — but it was the same Walter Hamden that you heard introduce the Episcopal church's radio show last year, "Great Scenes From Great Plays."

Today there's a new Shakespeare star coming to town, and I'm doing better by you than did the friend who let me miss Walter Hamden back in the old Opera House. I'm telling you about it now. For until you've seen the best you don't know how terrible all the others really are.

Schools to Observe Composer Mozart's Birthday

In celebration of Mozart's birthday, which is January 27, Girls' Glee clubs at three elementary schools will give programs on Thursday and Friday.

The programs will consist of several numbers by the glee clubs, with piano numbers, illustrating the many kinds of music written by the composer. Program notes are based upon the story of his life as found in "Mozart, the Wonder Boy," one of the new Cadmus books recently purchased by the schools.

The public is invited to any of the programs. The program will be given at 10:45 on Thursday morning at Garland school, at 2:30 Thursday afternoon at Paisley school and at Brookwood at 2:30 on Friday.

Minor Accident

Automobiles driven by Mrs. W. E. White and Mrs. C. F. Westfall of Louisville collided at Third and Main streets yesterday, but nobody was hurt. Damage to both vehicles was estimated at \$150. City Police investigated.

WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas: Cloudy, warm. Showers in north this afternoon, showers in west, north, colder in northwest tonight. Wednesday colder with rain turning to freezing rain in northwest, showers, colder in east and south portions.

Bobcat Fans Pay Tribute to 1949 Squad

More than 200 fans and some of the state's outstanding coaches attended a dinner here last night honoring members of the Bobcat Football squad.

Letters were awarded by Coach Clyde Trickey to the following players: Louis Sutton, Johnny Pate, James Johnson, William Martin, Bill Gunter, Ed Nix, John Watson, Orlin Keith, Wesley Huddleston, Mitchell LaGrone, Charles Crumpler, Burgess Garrett, Don Ray, Neal, Gordon Beasley, Mack Hooper, Bobby Messer, Billy Ray, Taylor, Morris Barrentine, Reader, Huddleston, Henry Lee, Wayne England, Van Wiggins, Richard Bruner, Roger Neal, Don Holt and Richard Duffie.

It was also announced that Gordon Beasley and Morris Barrentine had been selected by the squad as the 1950 co-captains.

Coach Trickey introduced his assistant Lawrence Martin as "the best line coach in the state," regardless of what anyone claims, and the junior coach Cecil Kollum, a young man that is coming along.

School Board President George Newbern presented each coach with a check from the Athletic Association.

Coach Elmer Smith of Magnolia A & M College was principal speaker and pointed out the educational value of football, the physical and democratic value, and the fact that "winning the game is not everything by any means."

Mr. Barnhill introduced Arkansas' new coach Otis Douglas and urged full support from fans and players for the new mentor.

Mr. Douglas made it plain that he came to Arkansas with some ideas about the setup in the athletic department but all his doubts have gone and that the way had been made easy by Mr. Barnhill.

"I know I have the full support of Coach Barnhill," he said, indicating that the new athletic director was doing everything possible to further develop athletics at Arkansas.

"He's behind me 100 per cent but I need the support of everyone," Coach Douglas said.

Coach Douglas said the main thing in football was the "spirit" and will to win. Any team that has that spirit can't help but be a success. He pointed to the Philadelphia Eagles as an example. Regular starters on the Eagle team were turned down by other professional clubs as "not good enough."

He pointed with pride to the Eagles whom he conditioned. They played 10 games and lost only one last season simply "because they had the spirit and will to win."

Given that same spirit and will to win and Arkansas can be successful, he concluded.

Following the dinner and speaking program Poy Hammons called Razorback Booster club members together and the following new officers were elected: Mike Kelly, president; Leo Robinson, vice-president and Robert LaGrone, treasurer.

Russia Reported as Having New Uranium Field

Lueneburg, Germany, Jan. 24 (AP)—The Russians were reported today to have begun digging uranium from a new field in the Soviet zone of Germany.

Five German workmen who said they fled from the mine described it as located in the Hartz mountains, about 25 miles from the British zone border.

Previously reported uranium mines in the Soviet zone were located in the Erzgebirge region near the Czechoslovakia border.

Soviets Impose and Relax Restrictions

By JOSEPH FLEMING—Berlin, Jan. 24 (UP)—Russian border guards imposed new restrictions on western truck traffic into Berlin today but removed restrictions on trains in a six-day-old on-again-off-again blockade.

Fur-capped Soviet troops made exhaustive inspections of documents, travel permits and identification papers of German truckers attempting to reach Berlin through the superhighway checkpoint at Helmsdorf.

An inspection took about 15 minutes, permitting only four trucks an hour to get through. Last night there were 104 trucks lined up waiting to pass. By this morning the lineup was reduced to 30.

U. S. and passenger train passed through the Soviet rail checkpoint at Marienborn without incident last night. Western officials said rail service was back to normal today.

The German Socialist party in the Western sectors scheduled eight meetings within the next 10 days, one in each borough of Russian-occupied Berlin, to protect the on-and-off blockade.

Communist leaders said the meetings would be considered a "provocation."

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Hungry Youth Finally Gets Good Meal

Little Rock, Jan. 24 (AP)—Nine-year-old boy, Bill Hill of New and Tex., finally got a good meal today. But he had to go to jail to do it.

The youth walked into police headquarters Saturday night and asked to be locked up. He didn't have any reason. He "just wanted to go to jail."

Police told him they didn't put men in jail without reason. They sent him to the Salvation Army to get a free meal and a night's lodging.

Hill tried his luck there but was turned down. The Salvation Army has limited quarters; it just didn't have any extra room.

He wandered around Little Rock until late last night when he again walked into police headquarters and told Desk Sergeant Lorraine King that he had broken a window at a nearby garage.

"Now you'll have to lock me up," said Hill.

Patrolman E. F. Grable was sent to investigate. He found a small hole in the window but it wasn't large enough to admit a man's body. Grable reported Hill couldn't have had burglary on his mind.

Today the youth had admitted damaging another man's property a misdemeanor. He had to go to jail.

Officers found out why the youth was so insistent on being locked up. He ate everything offered him. He ate just as long as he can satisfy his hunger.

Mobile Postoffices Are Started in Arkansas

Little Rock, Jan. 24 (AP)—Highway postoffices are now serving North and West Arkansas sections. Two highway mail service units similar to railway mail units, one at Fort Smith and one at Berryville from Little Rock yesterday.

Assistant Postmaster General Paul Aiken, Washington, headed a group accompanying the two units.

Postal Clerk James E. Huie, Little Rock, estimated that 6,500 pieces of "first run" mail were handled by the Fort Smith unit. No regular mail was carried. Today the units go into regular service serving points between Little Rock and Fort Smith and Little Rock and Berryville.

Little Rock Banker Dies Suddenly

Little Rock, Jan. 24 (AP)—Harry M. Triebler, 66, Little Rock attorney, died last night while being removed to a hospital.

The son of the late Federal Judge Jacob Triebler, he attended Harvard university law school and for many years was associated with the late Col. John M. Moore as attorney for the old Missouri and North Arkansas railroad.

Old Friend of Mr. Truman Succumbs

Independence, Mo., Jan. 24 (AP)—Roger M. Sermon, a close friend of President Truman and Mayor of Independence for 26 years, died last night. He was 59.

He died of heart attack as he was leaving the city hall.

Sermon, who operated a grocery store, was a Democratic leader in Jackson county, the President's home

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On the other side of the picture, McCloy declared that a vast majority of the Germans are deeply opposed to militarism and war and "want no more military adventures."

He concluded that "we face a hard task in Germany" but added: "Within Germany itself, firmly based, there exist spiritual resources from which can emerge a peaceful Democratic state, prepared to take its place as a true member of the Western world."

McCloy suggested that the time has come to permit the "so-called little Nazis" — school teachers, mail carriers, and tax officials — to demonstrate their loyalty to the new Germany and judge them on that basis rather than on their past weaknesses and misdeeds.

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COAL SHORTAGE BOTHERS TEEN-AGERS — Pupils of Steinmetz High School in Chicago aren't going to let John L. Lewis and the striking mine workers stop them from having their mid-year prom. Night dances at the school have been banned since the coal strike started so each student brought ten pounds of coal from home to create a big enough pile for the big dance. (NEA Photo)

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Congress Shows Signs of Making Own Tax Ticket

Washington, Jan. 24 (AP)—Congress showed signs today of wiring its own tax ticket, ignoring President Truman's advance notice that he will veto any bill that cuts taxes without making up the revenue elsewhere.

There was much talk of reducing excises — sometimes called sales or nuisance taxes — but revenue by \$100,000,000 by higher taxes on corporations with annual profits over \$50,000 and by larger estate and gift taxes and 2. reduce many wartime excise rates.

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He recommended no increase in individual income taxes.

Shortly after the President's message was read in the house and senate, the house appropriations committee disclosed that the treasury department has added the third major point in the administration's tax program — a 30 per cent increase in the middle-income brackets who do not report all their taxable income.

Mr. Truman picked out as excise reductions "most urgently needed" the present 20 per cent tax levies on furs, jewelry, toilet preparations, luggage and handbags, the 15 per cent levy on passenger tickets, the 3 per cent levy on freight, and the 25 per cent tax on long distance telephone and telegraph charges.

He did not mention any cuts for the \$9 a gallon liquor excise or the various levies on tobacco.

Reaction to Mr. Truman's tax ideas was sharp. It indicated: 1. The tax bill congress finally whips together may slash excises well beyond Mr. Truman's recommendations, possibly as much as \$1,000,000,000 to \$1,500,000,000. The President said he couldn't sign any bill reducing excises unless it provided for replacing the lost revenue.

A concerted drive will be made to plug the tax loopholes by which the President said many groups find legal ways to "escape their fair share of taxation." He mentioned present laws which exempted special privileges to oil and gas owners, charitable and educational organizations, engaged in business, and life insurance companies. Some lawmakers are doubtful, however, that the plugs will be as big as the excise cuts.

'Mutiny' Laid to Dutch Army Troops

Jakarta (Batavia), U. S. I., Jan. 24 (AP)—A top Indonesian military chief today blamed a sudden guerrilla raid into the city of Bandoeng on a "mutiny" of native soldiers.

About 600 armed fighters from the so-called private army of an outlawed former Dutch army captain seized key points in the big West Java city yesterday morning, but withdrew later in the day after bloody fighting.

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Prince Pretender Attempts to End Own Life

Mexico City, Jan. 24 (UP)—"Prince" Otto Wilhelm Hohenzollern was held incommunicado today in jail where he is recovering from a possible suicide attempt.

Interior ministry officials said the 26-year-old self styled pretender of the German throne was recovered "satisfactorily" but would be permitted no visitors "for a while."

Otto was rushed to a Red Cross hospital and treated for "poisoning" last Sunday. A guard said the "prince" had taken an overdose of sleeping pills, but Otto claimed the federal bureau of investigation "tried to kill me."

The "prince" is being held for investigation on a charge of entering Mexico as a U.S. citizen although he claims he is a German citizen. His case is scheduled to be heard in federal court Feb. 23.

Plan to Cut Excise Taxes Draws 'Fire'

New York, Jan. 24 (AP)—President Truman's proposal for reducing federal income excise taxes drew considerable criticism today from officials of affected industries.

The criticism centered on these points: 1. Many contended the levies should be completely eliminated — not merely reduced.

2. Others said the President's demands that excise taxes be reduced only along with enactment of higher corporation and gift taxes would delay any relief — at the same time practically halting business on items carrying the excise taxes.

J. Gordon Dakins, general manager of the National Retail Dry Goods association called for "outright repeal of all excise taxes instigated as a wartime measure."

"In this critical period in our economic history," he said, "our law-making bodies should be aware that full employment and production are vital to our continued prosperity. That condition cannot exist in industries whose products carry the extra burden of wartime excise taxes, which only serve as a brake to their complete distribution."

Strong criticisms of Mr. Truman's program because it provided no reduction of excise taxes on distilled beverages came from Thomas F. McCarthy, chairman of the well known council of the alcoholic beverage industries.

"Discrimination against distilled beverages in the tax reductions now contemplated is also discrimination against the sixty-four million American consumers as well as the more than a million people engaged in the alcoholic beverage industries at manufacturing, distribution and service levels," he declared.

Chairman Julius Green of the national fur industry tax committee said only complete elimination of the excise tax of furs could save many small business men in that industry. He said the industry had suffered a 30 per cent decline in business compared with a year ago.

FEPC Bill Appears to Be Locked Out

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST—Washington, Jan. 24 (AP)—President Truman's anti-discrimination (FEPC) bill appeared to be tightly locked in the house rules committee today. Speaker Rayburn, the President's own leader, showed no apparent wish to reserve it.

He had a chance yesterday but passed it by in favor of taking up bills to give statehood to Alaska and Hawaii.

A meeting of the rules committee today was held in an effort to pry the bill out of a committee pigeonhole, but the odds seemingly were against him.

It takes six of the 12 rules members to clear a bill for floor action and at least six are known to be against clearance. Four of them are Democrats and two are Republicans, and if they vote the way they have told newsmen they will vote, the bill will stay in committee.

Other Industries Beginning to Feel Coal Strike

Pittsburgh, Jan. 24 (AP)—The "other" industries that the coal strike stretched into the steel industry today and squeezed steel workers out of jobs.

The continued walkout of United Mine Workers' members forced Crucible Steel Corp. to reduce operations at its Westland, Pa., plant.

Crucible laid off 500 and said idle total may reach 1,000 by the end of the week if the coal strike continues.

At the same time, a General Motors spokesman said his firm had been notified by steel companies that they may have to shut out this week for lack of coal. He did not identify the steel companies, but said they were producing 100,000 cars a week, and the steel industry would have to shut down in 30 days if the steel strike is not off.

Youngstown, Ohio, and other steel companies also made plans to back production at its Bryar works in Youngstown, Ohio. Workers there will be affected.

Die-hard miners, the UMW, said "no contract, no work." They turned deaf ears to the offer of John L. Lewis, UMW president, to work without a contract.

Western Pennsylvania's steel strike parade with 33,000 steelworkers showed: West Virginia 12,000, Ohio 10,000, Alabama 8,000, Tennessee 18,000.

No break appeared in the sylvan miners' resistance there were indications that boring West Virginia's might soon abandon their policy.

John L. Seidich, president of the United Steelworkers of America, said he was in a meeting for Thursday (EST) to get things straightened out.

Many UMW locals did not return to the pits, but changed their minds and returned to work.

As items of this increased he emphasized: (A) New insurance and programs, \$67,500,000, and increased social security tax 400.

"These costs alone are a ton and more than offset the per ton which we hope to get from our price increases."

Less said in a statement for delivery before the House Economy Committee.

The committee started a inquiry today into the steel price increase. Fairclough, the first witness called at hearings booked through Feb. 13, said there was a mystery about the price increase which he described as "modest in character."

He said that U. S. steel costs had mounted at the rate of 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290, 300, 310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 390, 400, 410, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460, 470, 480, 490, 500, 510, 520, 530, 540, 550, 560, 570, 580, 590, 600, 610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 670, 680, 690, 700, 710, 720, 730, 740, 750, 760, 770, 780, 790, 800, 810, 820, 830, 840, 850, 860, 870, 880, 890, 900, 910, 920, 930, 940, 950, 960, 970, 980, 990, 1000.

However, he pegged the hike solidly to the personnel insurance program and less said. "Our earnings ever, are not sufficient to us to absorb the large cost involved. This is the reason raised prices."

Bill Dillard, aged 55, resident of Hope, died today at Detroit, Mich. hospital. He will be returned to Hope for burial.

Goes to Jail for Mercy Slaying

Carol Ann Paigh goes to jail today, pleading that mercy killing her to death.

Carol Ann Paigh, 24, of Hope, Ark., was taken to the jail today after being found guilty of the slaying of her husband, a 30-year-old man.

The slaying occurred on Jan. 24 at a home in Hope. Paigh was found guilty of first-degree murder.

Paigh was sentenced to the Arkansas State Penitentiary for a term of 10 years.

The judge in the case was Judge W. H. Smith.

Paigh was represented by a local attorney.

The slaying was the result of a domestic dispute.

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End of a Chapter

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"Didn't see the sign, eh?" He pointed to the road. "Well, it's over there. Perhaps I'd better have it blown up into a billboard—against the usual summer invitation."

The Story: Seeking a job as literary secretary to Mrs. Muriel Halleck, who writes popular novels under the name of "Jo Palgrave," Alice Pine goes to the Halleck home, at the end of Grosvenor Point, Conn., off Long Island Sound. Alice is pleased both with the surroundings and Mrs. Halleck, who says she wants more than "just a stenographer." Alice has just given Mrs. Halleck her background and her age, which is 28.

Muriel Halleck drummed her fingers on the table. "Would it surprise you, Miss Pine, if I engaged you? Right now?"

Alice Pine started. She hadn't expected to land the job so easily. But Muriel continued: "Why not? I think you'd be perfect. And your references are splendid. But do you have any questions of your own?"

"No," Alice said. "I ought to say, though, that the salary you mentioned is pretty well terrific."

Muriel waved a quick decisive gesture. "Not for what I want. Listen! For years I've written stuff that editors and the public expect me to write. But now I'm blowing myself to the luxury of a novel. Something I really want to do. I need the right kind of help. And I'm willing to pay for it."

"Well," Alice said slowly, "if you're sure you really want me, I'm ready to work for you."

"You mean now?"

Alice smiled. "Perhaps I was rather overconfident. But I packed a bag on the chance that I might be staying. The other things I'll need can be sent up."

Muriel Halleck arose. She dropped a friendly arm around Alice's shoulders. "Why, that's splendid. I hadn't hoped my dear, I'm forgetting. You've had a long drive. What would you like? Tea? A drink?"

"Tea, please," Alice said. She felt a little stunned. A plush job had fallen into her lap with scarcely any selling effort on her part.

Tea was a pleasant interlude on a flagstone terrace beneath the study window. After it Muriel conducted Alice upstairs to a large airy bedroom.

"I hope you'll be comfortable here," she said. "In any case, it's private. You have your own bath, and my room and Brent's is miles away."

"Comfortable?" Alice looked at luxurious appointments and colorful drapes. "I should think so. It's lovely."

"Well, make yourself at home. Dinner's at seven-thirty. We have it late because of Brent. He's an unpredictable artist. He does a lot of his work outdoors and never comes home till the last whistle. I'm used to artists," Alice said.

"We had plenty of them around the advertising agency."

"Then you know that they've no conception of time. Now I'll leave you for a while. Usually I have a nap before dinner. Maybe you'd

like one yourself?"

"If you don't mind, I'd rather walk around outside. And see the beach."

"Do," Muriel left her.

Alice changed into a gray flannel sports suit and a matching pullover and went downstairs.

She presently discovered a formal garden that promised a virtual flower show later on. A grizzled individual in dirty corduroys was digging therein. He regarded her with neither interest nor approval and did not speak.

But she had no time this afternoon for surly gardeners. She felt both contented and elated. It was miraculous to have stopped so quickly from a good-paying job into a better-paying one. And Grosvenor Point, Conn., would be an ideal spot in which to spend the summer.

"Miss Pine," she told herself, aloud and gaily, "it's your day out." She walked toward the beach, enjoying the salty tang of the Sound.

Then, on the beach itself, she stopped.

A small boy of about four had come into view, running along the water's edge. He had hair the color of pulled taffy and a compact little body. At intervals he paused to kick delightedly at curlers of white spume infiltrating the shore. As Alice watched, one kick was too vigorous. He sat down abruptly, to the confusion of his blue playsuit.

Alice moved forward. "Hello, there!"

The youngster scrambled up. His cheeks were like ripe apples; his eyes large and brown.

"You're not Muriel," he said, almost accusingly.

"Muriel?" Alice repeated. "I . . ."

Or, I see who . . .

She didn't finish. A voice from behind said: "I imagine I should put up a sign here, too."

Alice whipped around, upon a tall man in tweed slacks and frayed sports jacket. He had black hair slightly gray-flecked, and dark, unsmiling eyes.

"Oh!" she exclaimed. "I . . ."

"Didn't see the sign, eh?" He pointed to where the road along which she had driven became a dead end at the Sound. "Well, it's over there. Perhaps I'd better have it blown up into a billboard—against the usual summer invitation."

He spoke in proprietary manner and Alice chanced a guess. "But, of course, you're Mr. Halleck?"

He nodded. "Yes, Brent Halleck."

Hastily, Alice explained herself. "So?" Halleck did not seem amused at the little misunderstanding. "Well, my wife's been talking about getting a secretary. But I didn't know she'd actually done it. My apologies, Miss Pine. You see, Tolliver—that's the village here—is a summer resort. Sometimes visitors try to use this beach. I thought you were an early visitor."

Brent's jaw jutted. "It's not that I want to hog the country's natural playgrounds. But, after all, this is my property."

The small boy had been inspecting Alice curiously. "She's not Muriel," he told Brent now.

"No," said Brent. "She's Miss Pine and she's staying at our house. Say 'how-do-you-do'?"

"Rick,"

Rick did so gravely, then darted back toward the water, raising sand buries in his wake.

Brent looked after him. "He meant my wife, of course. But 'Muriel' is beyond him."

"He's adorable," Alice said. "Is he your son?"

Brent's thick dark brows lifted. "Muriel didn't tell you?"

"About Rick? No. I'm afraid we talked work, to the exclusion of everything else."

"Oh! Well, Rick—short for Richard—is my brother's child."

He paused, frowning. "My brother and his wife were killed three years ago in a plane crash. So we took Rick, adopted him."

He sounded matter-of-fact, impersonal. And Alice felt herself move, involuntarily, a little away from him. Something about this man repelled her.

"Well, that was a wonderful thing to do," she said, somewhat embarrassedly.

He shrugged and, for the first time she noticed a peculiarity in the set of his shoulders. They seemed to sag inordinately, as if he had practiced relaxing them until they gave almost a suggestion of limpness. "You do what you have to do," he said shortly.

"Shall we go up to the house?"

"Yes," said Alice. With Rick at her side she followed him.

(To Be Continued)

Dark Economic Picture for Red-China

(Editors note: Wayne Richardson, veteran Associated Press correspondent at Hong Kong, was aboard the American freighter Flying Arrow when a Nationalist gunboat dispatched was written aboard the ship after he spent four days ashore in Communist North China at Tsingtao while the ship was unloaded.)

By WAYNE RICHARDSON
Aboard Flying Arrow Enroute to Kobe, Japan, Jan. 24 —(AP)—Communist North China faces the blackest economic picture in the history of China.

Millions will starve to death before next year's crops are harvested.

People even now are reduced to eating herbs and leaves.

This black picture of chaos and famine was given to me during the four days I spent ashore on Shantung peninsula while the Flying Arrow unloaded cargo at Tsingtao, once the base of the American Asiatic fleet.

My informant was a well-informed source. His name can not be used.

"Poor crops in Shantung (one of China's richest agricultural areas) will make impossible any surplus for export," my informant said. "Consequently many millions of people will starve before next year's harvest, despite anything the Communist government could do even if it was willing. Even now in various areas people are eating herbs and leaves."

"The administrative picture is absolutely a mess. Because of lack of trained personnel and Communist reluctance to utilize available experienced professional men."

"The average Shantungese thinks even less of the Reds than Tsingtao has been taken over by the did of the Kuomintang (Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist party) but will remain a puppet. Consequently, there appears no reason to believe the armed Communists cannot maintain effective control."

My informant said there was no more behind the Communist financial picture than was behind Kuomintang currency.

"That is why their exchange is going to hell," he said bitterly. (The exchange rate in Tsingtao was 21,000 Communist dollars to \$1.)

"The Kuomintang through sheer corruption and robbery of the people by their financial measures, lost any remaining prestige they might have had in Shantung," he said.

"Having lost to the Reds politically their financial picture is military defeat was a foregone conclusion. Such American military aid, which was considerable, as was rendered the Nationalist military authorities in Shantung directly or indirectly might just as well have been given the Reds directly."

He said the Communists present policy of taxation indicates they intend to drive out all private trade.

"The volume of business is not used as a basis for taxation but rather each guild is assessed so much to be rotated among members," he said. "Many firms, foreign and Chinese, already have closed or applied for permission to close," he said.

This man said that since last year's withdrawal of U. S. Marines from Tsingtao the people would welcome back the Japanese to reestablish law and order and responsible taxation.

"Despite the publicity given in the Communist controlled press concerning friendship with Russia and the formation in Tsingtao of a branch of the Sino-Soviet friendship society, the average Soviet citizen is accorded no better treatment than any other foreigner," he said.

All U. S. government property in Tsingtao has been taken over by the Reds.

Natural gas is a miracle of modern science.

Men have been burning natural gas and using its heat for centuries but in the last decade scientists have opened the doors on literally thousands of new uses for this once unwanted substance.

Due to science, a vast new plant is now being built in Texas which will take natural gas and air and "synthesize" them into high grade gasoline and Diesel fuel.

Dry ice, the necessity of every ice cream company, is another product of science which is now made from natural gas.

Nyons From Gas

In Ohio a large paint company takes natural gas, processes it, and uses its "inert" atmosphere to protect its fine paints and varnishes from damage by the outside air while they are being made.

Natural gas has become the raw material for nylon stockings, for plastics, and for such startlingly diverse products as automobile anti-freeze and suntan lotion. The purest alcohol can be made from natural gas, and the best synthetic rubber.

Progress in Synthetics

People used to think the word "synthetic" meant something poor, an imitation. But Scientists now "synthesize" out of common materials, products that are better than natural and many that do not even exist in nature.

Natural gas is mainly hydrogen and carbon. But these two simple elements are the keys to new scientific frontiers. These frontiers are being explored today in many different industries of our country.

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Union Hopes to Jam Bell System

Washington Jan. 24 —(AP)—The government took a hand today in a labor dispute which has brought a threat of a nationwide telephone strike. The union has come up with a new twist: A plan to make the strike effective by jamming company switchboards.

The federal mediation service said it was entering the dispute to help get a settlement. William N. Margolis, assistant director of the Communications Workers of America (CWA), said he would meet with company officials later.

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SPA Plans to Cut Budget Requests

Washington, Jan. 24 —(AP)—Southwestern Power Administration says it will slash budget requests for the year beginning July 1 by some \$5,000,000 of contracts now being negotiated with private utilities.

Doiglas Wright, SPA administrator, asked the house interior appropriations subcommittee to approve the \$1,350,000 appropriations and \$5,000,000 in contract authorizations, however, until it is determined whether the contracts finally are negotiated.

He said the budget proposes construction of some lines which will be unnecessary if the contracts become effective.

Proposed contracts with two Oklahoma companies are awaiting interior department approval. Wright said, he added negotiations are under way with companies in Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana.

His testimony was made public today.

Wright proposed contracts with the Public Service Co. of Oklahoma and the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Co. to provide for inter-

and making a walkout more effective.

"We want the public to use the telephone as much as possible so that the unattended equipment will develop mechanical trouble more speedily than when we were there to maintain it," Beirne told fellow unionists.

"We advise full and complete use of telephones during the strike. We even advise over use of the telephone."

Government officials, asked about this, said they knew of nothing in the Taft-Hartley law or in the communications act and regulations to stop such tactics.

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Social and Personal

Phone 1268 or 1269 Between 8 A. M. and 4 P.M.

Social Calendar

Thursday, January 26
The Hope Business & Professional Women's club will have their regular bi-monthly dinner meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Barlow Hotel. Mrs. J. W. Patterson, Mrs. Hazel Fritchard, and Mrs. Sue Sommerville will be the hostesses. A bingo party will be held following the dinner and all members are urged to attend.

The Girls Glee club of Garland school will have a Mozart Birthday program at the school at 10:45 a. m. Thursday. The Paisley Girls Glee club will present their program at Paisley school at 2:30 p.m.

In honor of the Friday - Music club, the Hope High school band, directed by G. T. Cannon, will present a concert featuring in its entirety, the music of John Philip Sousa, at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Hope High school auditorium.

Friday, January 27
The Brookwood Girls Glee club will have a birthday program on the Austrian Composer, Mozart, at the school at 2:30 Friday.

Monday, January 30
The pledges of the Alpha Zeta chapter will have a pledge meeting at 11:15 p. m. Monday at the home of Mrs. William Routon on East Second street. At this time, the Alpha Zeta chapter will meet at seven o'clock Monday night at the W. O. W. hall on Second and Walnut Sts.

Social Planned
For Woodman Sorority
The Xi Upsilon chapter of Tau Phi Lambda sorority of the Supreme Forest Woodman circle met at seven o'clock Monday night at the W. O. W. hall on Second and Walnut Sts.

Miss Charlene Wiggins, president, presided during the business session. Plans for the monthly social to be held Friday night, January 27 at the Woodman Hall, were completed. Invitations are now being issued.

Various committees were appointed for the social. Miss Charlene Wiggins, Miss Billy Joan Ramsey, and Miss Una Mae Evans, were appointed to serve on the decorating committee.

Miss Wilma Jean Coleman, Miss Betty Fitch and Miss Doris Lee Purdie were appointed to serve on the refreshment committee.

The meeting was concluded with the chapter's closing ritual.

Coming and Going
Miss Alice Lile will leave Tuesday night for Belhaven college, Jackson, Miss. after a week-end visit with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. M. Lile.

Bob Hyatt of Arkansas College, Batesville, spent the week-end with his mother Mrs. B. C. Hyatt and other relatives here.

Mrs. Verda Segnar will leave Tuesday night for Norman, Okla. where she will attend the graduation of her son, Sammy, who receives his degree in Mechanical Engineering at the University.

From there, Mrs. Segnar will visit her son Mr. and Mrs. Harry Segnar, Jr., and sons in Oklahoma City.

Tommy Britt of the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, arrived Monday night to spend the mid-semester holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Britt, Sr.

Miss Mary Della White left Tuesday for Fayetteville after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred White.

Hospital Notes

Julia Chester
Admitted: Mrs. Sancer K. May

Edith Coplon, Russian Go on Trial

New York, Jan. 24—(P)—A young, college-educated American girl and the Russian engineer with whom she was once in love go on trial today on a charge of plotting espionage for the Soviet Union.

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A panel of 95 persons was summoned to appear (10 a. m., EST) as prospective jurors in the trial, which has been delayed seven weeks while the defense fought a stubborn but losing battle to prevent it.

The scene is the main-floor court room in the federal courthouse on Foley square. Judge Sylvester Ryan is presiding.

He also sat at the long, sometimes dramatic pre-trial legal skirmishes which ranged widely into international protocol, operating methods of the FBI, and legality of the arrest of the two defendants.

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Both now are free in bail.

Civilians Not Taking to Air So Fast

By JAMES J. STREIBIG
AP Aviation Reporter
(For James M. Lewis)

Washington, Jan. 24—(P)—The civil aviation administration forecast in 1945 that in ten years this nation would be flying 400,000 civil airplanes.

The CAA was a bit apologetic. The forecast, it said, was "by no means a top limit" but rather a "conservative guide for planning."

The agency was well aware that other surveys made at the height of wartime enthusiasm for flying found 1,000,000 and upwards as the potential number of private planes shortly after the war.

Half of the 10-year period has passed. About 92,000 civil aircraft are registered with the CAA. Production of private planes was a spectacular 35,000 in 1946—a one-year output 40 per cent greater than the total flying in 1939.

That production was halved in 1947. It was halved again in 1948. It was halved a third time in 1949, dropping to less than one-tenth 1946 production.

Has interest in flying fallen so rapidly? Other aviation figures show it has not. Air travel by commercial and private plane has increased tremendously since the war. Use of small airplanes for numerous jobs formerly done on the ground—crop spraying and dusting, inspection of pipelines and power lines, surveys and even crop-planting—has created new industries.

Post-war disillusionment was not for those who saw in wartime development of aviation a new tool. It was for those who saw the airplane as a toy.

Well, it isn't quite that simple either. Much of the disappointment came from the industry itself, from overselling the private flying idea, from failing to produce planes with the safety, economy and usefulness the nation had come to expect, from plain gouging of customers.

Some people still say that anyone who can drive an automobile can pilot an airplane. They found it a lot more costly.

You can buy any of several models of automobiles for less than the lowest price airplane—a single seater. You can buy half a dozen automobiles for what one of the more expensive four-seater airplanes costs.

You can't park your airplane on the street. You'd better hangar it (about \$30 a month) if you can find space. At least you have to tie it down in the open (about \$15 a month). The chances are it came with a radio. You can add \$100 to \$700 for that. And if you want pretty complete insurance protection, you must figure on \$40 to \$60 a month. After that it's just gasoline, oil and maintenance.

It isn't too hard to see why people who had thought of flying as just a lot of fun stick with their automobiles. But it has been different for those who learned to use the airplane in business and for limited types of pleasure.

Officials of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots association, the most important organization among small plane users, feel that private flying has made steady, sound progress. They are not dismayed by the failure to meet 1945 forecasts—predictions they didn't accept at the time.

The important thing, as AOPA sees it, is that every year since the war there has been a sizable increase in airplane use for business and vacation travel as well as a great growth in the types use.

Flying people are inclined to bubble in likely to speed up correction of the development of flying. They believe that the bursting of the bubble of some of the errors that helped cause it and contribute to

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U. S. Treasury to Watch High Incomes

Washington, Jan. 25—(P)—The treasury department is trying even more closely the income tax returns of individuals making between \$7,000 and \$25,000 a year.

It plans to crack down on tax evaders in this group if congress will pass the bill for additional enforcement agents.

The plan turned up in testimony made public yesterday by the house appropriations committee.

The committee was told by T. C. Altkeson, assistant internal revenue collector, that the middle-income group makes numerous "errors" in computing tax liability.

Secretary of the Treasury Snyder asked for more money for tax law enforcement. "This is the best way that I know of to increase the government's revenue under the existing tax laws," he said.

George J. Schooneman, commissioner of revenue, told the committee that tax audits during the fiscal year 1949 brought in \$1,391,679,000 which might otherwise have been missed.

But most of these audits, he said, affected individuals in high-income groups. Only 17.8 per cent of the returns on incomes in the \$7,000 to \$25,000 group and only 3.9 per cent of those under \$7,000 are now being so closely checked.

The larger the income, the more likely a check-up.

Treasury officials said they have found that 7 out of every 10 returns checked in the upper groups are found to be erroneous, with the errors generally in favor of the taxpayer.

They estimated that the government gleaned \$8.40 for each dollar spent on extra enforcement personnel in the 1949 check.

Governor Dedicates First Arkansas Crop Food Train

Little Rock, Jan. 24—(P)—Gov. Hiram McMath thinks the church's greatest challenge lies in the present world conditions.

He said church members apparently have recognized their responsibility by forming the Christian Rural Overseas Program in supplying food and aid to war torn countries of Europe.

The governor spoke at a ceremony yesterday dedicating the first Arkansas Crop friendship food train for overseas relief.



POLIO POSTER KIDDIES GO ON TOUR—Wanda Wiley of Austin, Tex., right above, poster girl in the 1950 March of Dimes, and Linda Iris Brown, left above, the poster girl in 1949, are among five children who will tour seven Eastern cities this month on behalf of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Their tour is in connection with the 1950 March of Dimes drive, Jan. 16-31. Other children to make the tour are: Donald Anderson, 9, of Warm Springs, Ore., the first polio poster boy in 1946; Nancy Drury, 7, of Louisville, Ky., 1947 poster girl, and Terry Tullos, 5, of Laurel, Miss., 1948 poster boy.

DOROTHY DIX Child-Bridegroom

Dear Miss Dix: Six years ago I became infatuated with a widow ten years my senior. At first she told me she could never be interested in one so much her junior. Then I became very ill, and while I was in the hospital she came to see me and promised to marry me when I got well.

Now after five years I find the marriage a failure. She has done much to further my interests, paid my debts, keeps her young son away at boarding school, and deavors to let me retain her youth and good looks, never nags or complains, but I realize that she is too old for me. And to add to the tragedy, I have met the one girl in all the world, fifteen years my junior, without whom life seems not worth living. This is the real thing at last, but could any case be more hopeless?

DAN
Answer: I don't see why the case is hopeless. In spite of the moment of maudlin sentimentality in which she married you against her better judgment your wife seems to be a woman of good sense. She knew at the time that the marriage of a boy to a woman ten years older than himself was a poor risk for both parties and seldom brought happiness to either.

Not Really in Love
You see your wife was not madly infatuated with you when she married you. She was so sorry for you because of your sufferings and anxious to help them she let romance and sentiment cloud her judgment.

But the cool gray light of the morning after must have come to her soon enough and made her realize her mistake when she found that instead of having a man to lean on she had a temperamental and emotionally unstable boy whose debts she had to pay, whom she had to keep entertained and amused and who considered her feelings as little that he demanded the sacrifice of her son to him.

Don't imagine that your wife has been happy. She may have been a good enough sport to stand by her bargain without a whimper. She may never have nagged nor complained but her heart must have ached for the child she had to send off to school because you didn't want him around. She must have wished a thousand times that she could settle down in peace to being her age instead of having to try to keep up a synthetic girlhood and not look too old for a young husband.

So Dan my advice to you is to go frankly to your wife and tell her that you are tired of her and have fallen in love with a young girl, and will she please give you a divorce. I'll bet my new hat that she will hit the first train to Reno singing a glad song of joy.

Dear Miss Dix: My husband unlike most men insists upon my going out in the evenings without him to enjoy myself but I don't know where to go or what to do. I do office work in the day and in the evenings I love staying at home cooking, reading, sewing or having friends in occasionally for dinner or cards. My husband enjoys going out alone two or three evenings a week and I like to go so but when he comes home and finds that I have stayed at home he gets cross and says that he is afraid we will have trouble in the years to come because of my not going any-

where. I don't want him to feel that I am lonesome when he is out or that he shouldn't leave me. Above all I don't want him to ask me to accompany him to places when he would rather go without me. Any help?

G. M. B.
Answer: Not unless you can make your husband see that tastes differ and that you get as much pleasure out of staying at home as he does out of stepping out. You are broad enough to let him divert himself in his own way and according to his own idea of pleasure and he should certainly accord you the same privilege. Of course it is a pity when husbands and wives do not enjoy the same things and cannot play together but nothing is gained when one tries to force his or her amusements on the other nor does it make for the happiness of either when one martyrizes himself or herself to the other's pleasure.

Walter Hagen came straight from a month-long hunting expedition without practice, to win his last Professional Golfers' Association title, in 1927.

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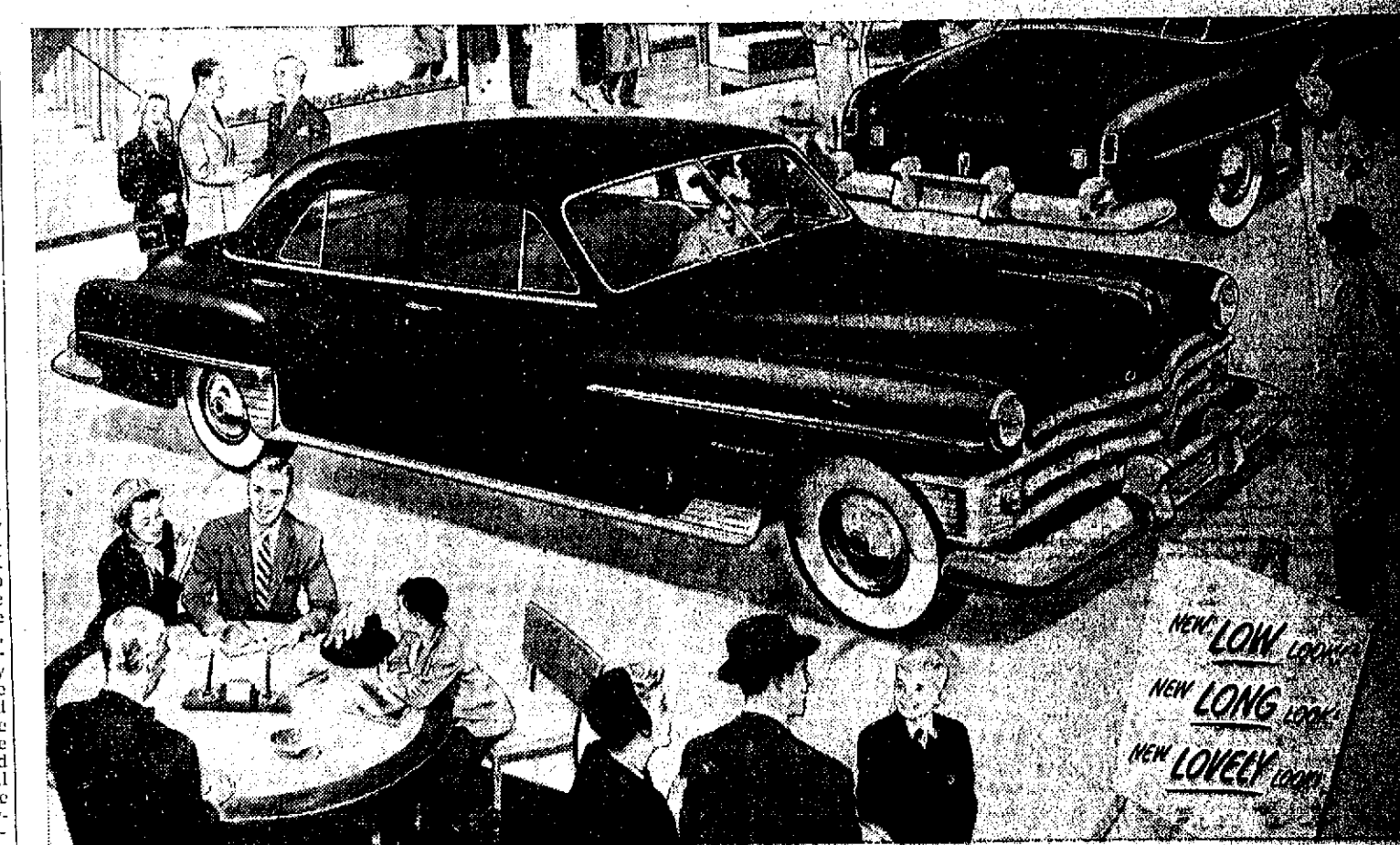
Dear Dorothy Dix: I am 21 years old and a junior in college a ministerial student with four years of school ahead of me. Do you think I should seriously consider selecting a wife at college? Should I confine myself to girls who do not dance or engage in worldly pleasures? Do you think the ordinary girl would give them up for me?

ANXIOUS
Answer: A junior in college has no business getting engaged. He is too young and in no position to marry and this goes double for a young man who is entering the ministry. He should not handicap himself by an early marriage. And whether a girl will give up worldly pleasures for you or not depends upon how much she loves you.

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Fights Last Night

By The Associated Press
Baltimore — Sammy Angott, 143
8-1/2, Washington, Pa., knocked out
Custer, 138, Detroit (8).
Brooklyn — Gino Buonvino, 200,
Italy, outpointed Art Henry, 185,
New York (8).
Newark N. J. — Tommy Bell,
151, Youngstown, Ohio, outpointed
Tony Riccio, 153 1-2, Bayonne,
N. J. (10).
Chicago — Giovanni Manca, 160
1-2, Rome, Italy, outpointed Joe
Arthur, 157 1-2, Indianapolis (8).

By United Press
Lewiston, Me. — Maurice
(Lefty) La Chance, 138, Lisbon,
Me., outpointed Tommy Greb, 138
1-2, Boston (10).
Boston — Iggy Vaccari, 134 3-4,
Boston, stopped Jackie Weber, 133,
Pawtucket, R. I. (4).
Providence, R. I. — George Ar-
aujo, 125 3-4, Providence, knocked
out Timothy (Buddy) Hayes, 125,
3-4, Boston (2).

College Crown Between Tech, Arkansas State

By The Associated Press
The fight crown is the 1949 AIC bas-
ketball crown is now between Ar-
kansas State college of Jonesboro
and Arkansas Tech.
But it's anybody's guess just how
long it will stay that way. Miller,
the State Indians bunched Oucha-
ita from the unbeaten list with a

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Fair Enough

By Westbrook Pegler
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New York, Jan. 23. — We go
through futile motions against Rus-
sia and some of us continue to im-
bibe the Communists on the home
front, but it is quite plain to any
one who is willing to face the facts
that Russia is the arbiter of the
future of the United States. The
futile culprit in this history is
the United States, for a combina-
tion of recklessness, vanity and
treachery, was Franklin D. Roose-
velt, who "recognized" Soviet Rus-
sia and built up her power when it
was plain that only Russia could
break the back of the mistakes the
United States had nothing to gain.

Wiser and more patriotic presi-
dents and others in the govern-
ment had understood this and, ac-
cordingly, had kept Russia writing.
This "recognition" alone was the
greatest victory over western civ-
ilization and the capitalistic sys-
tem of government and society in
the life of the Soviet empire down
to the present hour. It cost her
nothing. It was more tragic than
any defeat that we have ever suf-
fered, but it is the worst be-
cause it was brought about by a
vain, willful man on the advice
of a court of cynical, flippant ad-
venturers of the Bill Bullitt type
who were markedly unfit to exer-
cise wise and responsible judg-
ment.

You have only to recall and
compare the Soviet Russia of the
day when "recognition" was grant-
ed in 1934 with the mighty, ar-
rogant, threatening power with
which we are now engaged in an
exhausting "cold" war to ap-
preciate the enormity of this de-
cision. Until then, Russia was a
frowny, inept supplicant for the
boon of our favor. She could not
manufacture anything. Her wheel-
barrow was a mechanical marvel
to Russia. We were the arbiter of
her future and we changed her
into a hostile, ruthless empire un-
like any other that has ever exist-
ed in the world.

If this had been an honest mis-
take of judgment by a man of
patriotic motives the situation
would be no less awful. But we
could have had the spiritual sat-
isfaction of knowing that it was un-
avoidable. But it wasn't. Roose-
velt, Bullitt and Frankfurter, who
was implicated in many other in-
trigues such as the appointments
of Alger Hiss, Henry Stimson and
Dean Acheson, all knew the nature
of communism and of the Russian
dictatorship. There was a slogan
among us for few years which was
"you can't do business with
Hitler". But you never could do
business with Soviet Russia ex-
cept on Russia's terms and sub-
ject to Russia's unwritten reser-
vations, which were notorious when
"recognized" her.

Always, invariably, we have
helped Russia until now she can
debilitate us without ever bother-
ing to take us to war. When Ja-
pan moved into China to head off
Russia, her ancient enemy, the
United States sympathized with
the Chinese who are equally as
savage in war as the Japs and so
crooked in their dealings that old
China hands patiently explain
that you have to approach their
matters with a crooked mind. We
understand them. That being done,
they are honest. But we were ac-
tually harrassing Russia's great
enemy and now that we have de-
stroyed Japan, Russia has boldly
moved into China and kicked us
out.

It is not necessary to remind
anyone who reads the newspapers
of Roosevelt's ghastly betrayal of
the non-communist world to the
Soviet empire at Yalta. Thereafter,
Truman, with the excuse of
concern for the world, just com-
mon court-house parasite of the
Pendergast machine, put some
finishing touches on the job at Pots-
dam. But they were only in the
nature of confirmation. The great
damage had been done. Soviet
Russia's conduct since then has
been possible and inevitable by
Roosevelt.

How can the United States sur-
vive? Russia can bleed us to death
by compelling us to support a war
organization and to subsidize other
organizations that ally hope that
will fight for us in a war that
need never come. When he gets our
resolution up and make a drama-
tic and ultimately successful
stand as we did in the Berlin air-
lift, Russia, quietly major, five
times as strong as the Soviet Union,
in China. The Berlin air-lift
cost Russia nothing. We stand
alone against Russia, and her
method of undermining, then re-
moving governments of smaller
nations and installing her own
quiescent agents in Poland,
Czechoslovakia, the Baltic and
Balkan countries, is so subtle that
we can't oppose her.

The British Empire is gone, an
ironic reward of victory to the na-
tion that stood alone in her glori-
ous history after the civil day of
the United Kingdom is falling
apart with a Henry Wallace gov-
ernment wrecking the stout old
edifice in an inside job. Scotland
and Wales are talking up autonomy.
The cost of getting ready and
keeping ready to fight Russia is
more than the economy of the
United States can stand. Ultimate-
ly this and the cost of popping up
satellite nations which cannot be
blamed for running out on us if
the challenge ever comes will get
us down. Moreover, the Soviet
readiness will call again for ra-
tioning of gasoline, food, prob-
ably tires, too, and metals.

Roosevelt's connivance with the
Communists in our own country,
the planting of Communists in all
the departments, even in the army
and navy and in one notorious in-
stance, in the marine corps, was
not a work of stupidity. This never
happened under Hoover, Coolidge
or Harding. Roosevelt knew what
he was doing. He was rounding out
his "recognized" Soviet Russia and
set her on her course of empire.

61 to 48 victory at Jonesboro Mon-
day night. The win gave State a
4-0 start.
Miller ran up 23 points for high
scoring honors of the game.
Ouchita's high point man was
Ornel Standridge with 18.
The Wonder Boys of Tech, who
have a season record of 8-0 take
on Ouchita in a crucial test Sat-
urday night.

Maas Takes \$10,000
Event But Sells
Putters on Side

Long Beach, Calif., Jan. 24 —(P)—
You had no trouble finding Fred
Maas Jr. last night, after he won
the Long Beach open golf tourna-
ment, was right here by the
18th hole, selling putters.
"Did all right, too," drawled the
tall, 34-year-old pro from New Or-
leans, who went 16 strokes under
par for a 288 to win the second
playing of this \$10,000 event.
Maas, who came from a tie for
28th place after the first round to
stand off determined bids by other
stars in a pressure field final
round, sells putters on the side. He
adds comfortably to the \$9,817 he
banked last year as the ninth best-
paid touring pro.
Maas' final round over Lake-
wood's rolling course was one of
calm concentration. He one-putted
five greens to add a 65 to his pre-
viously posted 70-66-67. It was five
strokes better than Stan Leonard of
Vancouver, B. C., could do.
Leonard finished with a 71-66-67-
69, beating out unheralded Al
Broach of Garden City, N. Y., and
National Open Champion Cary
Middlecoff of Ormond Beach, Fla.,
who had 274's.

Irish Topple
Fading
Kentucky

New York, Jan. 23 —(P)— Right
now Coach Ralph Rupp of fading
Kentucky probably is wishing for
another All-American Alex Groza
to bob up at Lexington.
Rupp already has lost more bas-
ketball games this season than in
most of his previous campaigns of regular
play.
Notre Dame upset the Wildcats
at South Bend last night, 64-51, for
Rupp's third loss in his last five
games.
Kentucky's record now is 11 vic-
tories and four losses.
Groza, Ralph Beard, Wah Wah
Jones and Cliff Barker, departed
Wildcat aces, led Kentucky to 32
victories against two losses last
season and one of those was in
last season's last to Loyola of Chi-
cago in the National Invitation
tournament.

The previous year, Kentucky
came up with a 36-3 record — one
loss, being in the Olympic playoffs
to the Phillips Oilers.
That adds up to only three losses
during the past two seasons of reg-
ular play for perhaps the greatest
college team of all time.
Seven-foot Bill Spivey scored 27
points for Kentucky but so little
help against Notre Dame's sopho-
more-powered five. Kevin O'Shea
led the ramblers with 16 points as
Notre Dame won the 11th in their
16-game series.

At Columbus, Ohio State (10-3),
retained undisputed first place in
the big 10, whipping Iowa, 68-54.
The Buckeyes now have a 4-1 con-
ference record.
Alabama (8-5) upset another up-
set, Vanderbilt, 47-44, in an
Southeastern conference game. The
loss is Vandy's first in the SEC
against five victories. The Com-
modores have an 11-4 record.
Oklahoma City U. topped the Pa-
cific Coast States, 51-33, and Louis-
ville (17-3) retained its ranking as
one of the country's better fives
with an 82-71 victory over Mare-
head.

Holy Cross Is
Heading U. S.
Cage List

New York, Jan. 24 —(P)— The
classy Crusaders of Holy Cross
continued to reign today as the
kings of the country's college
basketball teams in the fourth
weekly Associated Press poll.
The all-conquering unit from
Worcester, Mass., who wrestled the
leadership from St. John's of
Brooklyn by a narrow margin last
week captured top honors by a
landslide vote.

Unbeaten 14 starts this sea-
son, Holy Cross drew 118 of a pos-
sible 166 first place votes cast by
sports writers and sports casters
from coast to coast.
Duquesne of Pittsburgh, the only
other undefeated team, picked up
only four first place
nominations but grabbed enough
seconds and thirds to vault from
sixth to second. Duquesne has won
13 straight. Holy Cross finished
with 1,600 points to the Ducks' 1-
024.
Long Island university, despite
its 55-52 upset by North Carolina
state last Tuesday, clung to its
third place position. The Black-
birds' 32-22 half first place col-
lapse and piled up 926 points to come
in ahead of Kentucky and St.
John's, fourth and fifth, respec-
tively.
The entire U. S. college
first place votes were cast
for 12th ranking Kansas State.

Basketball

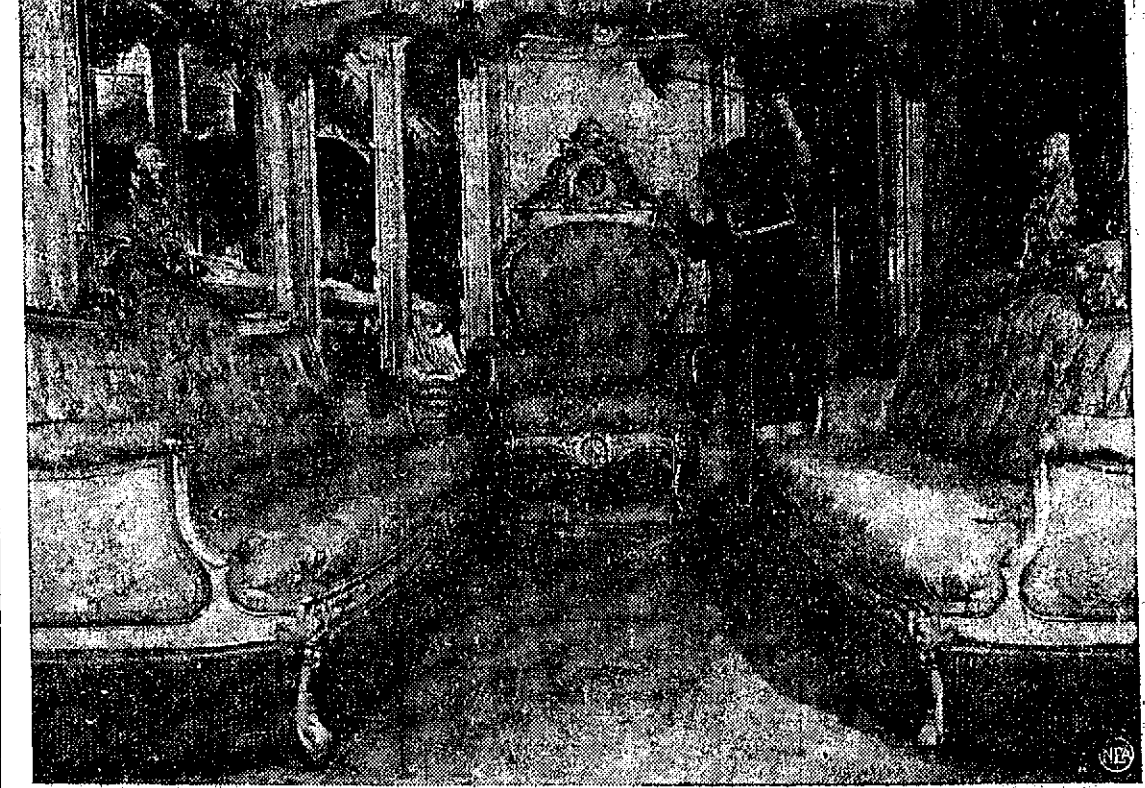
By The Associated Press
Alabama 47; Vanderbilt 44.
Mississippi State 65 Tennessee
56.
Louisville 82; Morehead (Ky.) 71.
Notre Dame 64; Kentucky 51.
Minnesota 73 Michigan State 56.
Oklahoma 68 Iowa 54.
Sterling (Kas) 60; Taylor 56.
Emporia (Kas) State 50; Spring-
field (Mo) State 46.
Missouri Valley 58 Warrensburg
(Mo) State Tech 56.
Oklahoma City University 51;
Caterpillar 44; Dietrichs 34.
Arkansas State College 61;
Ouchita (Ark) 48.
Oregon State 48; Idaho 37.
Utah 58 Denver 51.
Brigham Young 45; Utah State
47.

By The Associated Press
Last Night's Results
National Association
Tri-City 99; Anderson 96.
No games scheduled.

There are four married players
on the North Carolina State 1949-50
basketball squad.
Ten members of Oklahoma's
starting eleven during 1949 were
natives of Oklahoma.



"NIGHT PATROL" FOR BRITISH RECRUITS—British recruits don dark goggles, which turn
daylight into darkness, and take their first steps in a class on night patrolling. A chair can be a
tricky obstacle, two of the new soldiers find. The course is part of a 10-week primary training pro-
gram in Britain's 18-month National Service Plan. The best recruits are selected for training as officers.



INTERIOR OF PAPAL SALON CAR—A Roman woman cleans the walls around the Papal throne
in the salon car on the personal train of Pope Pius XII. The two long coaches are covered with fine
damask and brocade. Mirrors cover all wall space. The door at right background goes to the Pope's
private chapel and sleeping car. Inside and out, the three-coach train—built in Paris in 1858 for
Pope Pius IX—is magnificently decorated. Pope Pius XII is expected to make his first trip in the
train, a special Holy Year trip across Italy, during 1950.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Hugh S. Fullerton, Jr.

New York, Jan. 24 —(P)— Leo
Houck died the other day—knocked
out for the first time in his career.
It was his proud boast that in
more than 200 professional fights
he had for starters knocked off his
opponents. He was right. He
lost only three times and never was
put down for the count of ten.
It is heartwarming but not sur-
prising to know that undergradu-
ates and alumni of Penn State col-
lege, where he coached boxing for
27 years, contributed \$5,000 to
"comfort him and his family during
his tragic illness."
It was a sad oversight that the boxing
writers never honored him with
an award for his long and meri-
torious service to the sport.
It was an honor Leo richly deserved.

Boxing's Best Friend

A man of great kindness and
good humor behind the battered
face that marked him indelibly as
an ex-fighter, Leo never ceased to
think of boxing as a fine, clean
sport for sturdy young men. His
campaigns tirelessly for boxing
in Pennsylvania high schools and
he'd get angry only when someone
argued that the game was too
rough or dangerous for youngsters.
"The fight racket," Leo's well-
trained boys never got hurt, and
he could point to himself as one
who started boxing at 14 and came
through without serious injury.
His simple but keen voice left
winning in his face, and he'll be
with you right when you're in
trouble. He's a real fighter's friend.
He's ready to help you in any
way he can.

outstanding professionals, Steve
Hamas and Billy Soose. He
thought being a college coach was
"the finest job any man could
have."
Most of his pupils think
Leo was the finest coach any col-
lege could have.

Sportsmentions

Joe Rosentow, head of the
American Lottball league, is mak-
ing overtures to the Buffalo folks
who were left out in the National
American reorganization. Nearby
Erie, Pa., already has applied for
membership in that circuit. Dr.
David E. Tracy, who has been
hired to psychologize the St. Louis
Browns into the first division will
publish a book, "Psychology and
Baseball," in May. After a season
with the Browns he should
have material for another.

Olle Sax, Jr., national interschol-
astic 440 yard champ from Kearny,
N. Y., High, recently bagged a
deer and a fox on a hunting trip.
Maybe he ran them down. Olle
Sax's dad still holds the Eastern
league record of 61 stolen bases in
one season. The entire U. of
Georgia basketball team scouted
Kentucky by television when the
Wildcats played in Atlanta. The
next night Georgia beat Ken-
tucky for the first time since 1931.

Mills, Maxim
to Battle for
World Title

London, Jan. 24 —(P)— Freddie
Mills brings the world's light
heavyweight title out of cold stor-
age tonight for the first time in 18
months when he meets America's
Joey Maxim.
The chances are 2 to 1 that he
won't get a chance to put it back.
The 15-round argument is sched-
uled for 9 p. m. London time (4
p. m. Eastern Standard Time) be-
fore a sellout crowd of 18,000 at the
Earl's court arena.
Mills claims he's in better shape
than when he won the crown on
points from Gus Lesnevich in July
of 1948.
"I'm feeling really good this
time," said the 30-year-old Briton.
"Everything's been going right.
My legs feel good and I think I'm
better than I have been for five
years."

Maxim, a good looking black-
haired battle from Cleveland, was
as nervous as a novice as he tried
to kill time yesterday.
"That's the way I like him,"
purred a 5-foot-11-talking Jack
Kearns, his manager. "Keep him
on edge and he'll fight his best."
The figures indicate that the
first time in three weeks when
they report to Frontier Jack So-
mo's gym this afternoon for the
official weigh-in.
Neither expected any difficulty
in making the 175 pound limit.
Maxim weighed 174 1-2 pounds yes-
terday and Mills 174.

Top Radio Programs

New York, Jan. 24 —(P)— Tuning
tonight (Tuesday):
NBC — 7 Robert Taylor in Cav-
alcade drama; 8 Bob Hope; 9:30
Fibber and Molly; 9:30 People Are
Funny.
CBS — 7 Mystery Theater 7:30
Mr. and Mrs. North; 8 Life With
Luigi; 9 Pursuit drama 9:30
Frankie Caruso band.
ABC — 6:30 Counter Spy 7:30
Gentlemen of the Press; 8 Ameri-
ca's Town meeting "Socialism and
Social Welfare"; 9:30 As We See
It.
MBS — 7 Count of Monte Crio-
to 7:30 Detective drama; 8 John
Steele Adventurer; 8:30 Mysterious
Traveler.
Wednesday items:
NBC — 8:30 a. m. Cleveland-
aires concert 1 p. m. Double or
Nothing.
CBS — 9:15 a. m. Godfrey in
Action; 12:45 p. m. Guiding Light;
2:30 House Party.
ABC — 10 a. m. Romances dra-
ma 1 p. m. Welcome to Holly-
wood; 3 Carter Family.
MBS — 8:30 a. m. Tennessee
Jamboree; 11 Kate Smith 2 p. m.
Bob Hope show.



INDONESIA HEAD—Leader of
the new United States of Indone-
sia is Premier Mohammed
Hatta, above. Some 77,000,000
Indonesians belong to the world's
new republic, recently pro-
claimed independent by the
Netherlands. The proclamation,
by Queen Juliana, ended 300
years of Dutch rule in the East
Indies.

Ross Pritchard
to Play Again
at Arkansas

Fayetteville, Jan. 24 —(P)— Ross
Pritchard apparently will play an-
other game for the Arkansas Uni-
versity football team, which backs
before turning pro.
The 160-pound back said yester-
day he hasn't heard from the
Washington Redskins but that he
would play with the Porkers dur-
ing the 1950 season.
The Skin coach Pritchard as a
prospect for pro football. He was
one of three men they were al-
lowed to keep out of the National
American football league draft.
Pritchard was injured before the
1949 season got under way. He still
has one year of eligibility.
Five other Porker griders select-
ed in the draft said they have not
made any agreements but proba-
bly will do so "if conditions are
favorable."
They are Fullbacks Geno Mar-
zanti and Leon (Muscles) Camp-
bell, picked by Baltimore Tackie
John Lunnay, Los Angeles; End
Billy Hix, Philadelphia and Back
Alvin Duke, Washington.

Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press
Today a Year Ago — Ivan (Red)
Williamson was named head foot-
ball coach at Wisconsin, succeed-
ing Harry Stuhldreher.
Three Years Ago — Leslie Mac-
Mitchell won the Philadelphia In-
quirer mile in 4:17.2.
Five Years Ago — Alan Ford,
Yale swimming captain, set two
marks in meet at New Haven,
Conn.
Ten Years Ago — Henry Arm-
strong retained his welterweight
championship, stopping Pedro
Montanex in the ninth round at
Madison Square Garden.

Legionaires
Easily Lick
Texarkanians

Hope Legionaires went wild last
night in the twin city as they took
Texarkana Trade school boys for a
82 to 44 ride. The Hope boys
were just too much for the Trade
school Cadets and were never in
real danger from the beginning.
Little Pony Reeves led the Leg-
ionaires with 23 points, followed
by Byers with 20 and Clifton Peas
with 18. Reeves was high for the
Trade school with 10 points.
On Wednesday night the Legion
boys will meet a lot tougher team
when they take on the North
Heights Team, also of Texarkana,
at the Hope high school. Fans
will well remember the breath-
taking game that the Legion boys
played against the North Heights
boys last year and the one here
Wednesday night should be no ex-
ception. The Legionaires are a
greatly improved ball club, and
with the addition of Joe Curtis to
help control the backboard, they
are expected to give a lot of the
teams something to think about.
All of the boys are in top con-
dition with the exception of Charley
Mullins who is out with an injured
ankle, but will be back soon.

	FG	FT	Total
Green	2	6	8
Bullock	6	13	19
Byers	7	20	27
Ross	8	2	10
Reaves	10	22	32
Curtis	1	0	1

Trade School	FG	FT	Total
Livsey	3	0	3
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Nevens	1	1	2
Wilkinson	0	0	0
Bogless	3	0	3
Lumby	4	2	6
Haynes	2	1	3
Emerson	2	1	3
Bridgman	0	1	1
Templeton	0	1	1

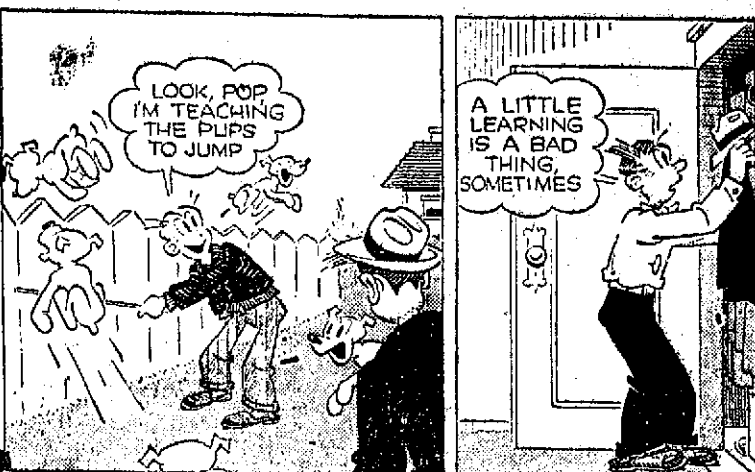
THE HEART OF HOPE

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Wednesday a. m.

5:00	Straight Arrow—M
5:30	B-Bar-B Riders—M
6:00	News for a Mellow Mood
6:15	News, 5-Star & Sports
6:25	Musical Interlude
6:30	Gabriel Heater—M
6:45	Fulton Lewis, Jr.—M
7:00	Count of Monte Cristo—M
7:30	Official Detective—M
7:55	Bill Henry, News—M
8:00	John Steele, Adventurer—M
8:30	Gabriel Heater—M
9:00	Frank Edwards, News—

BLONDIE



By Chick Young



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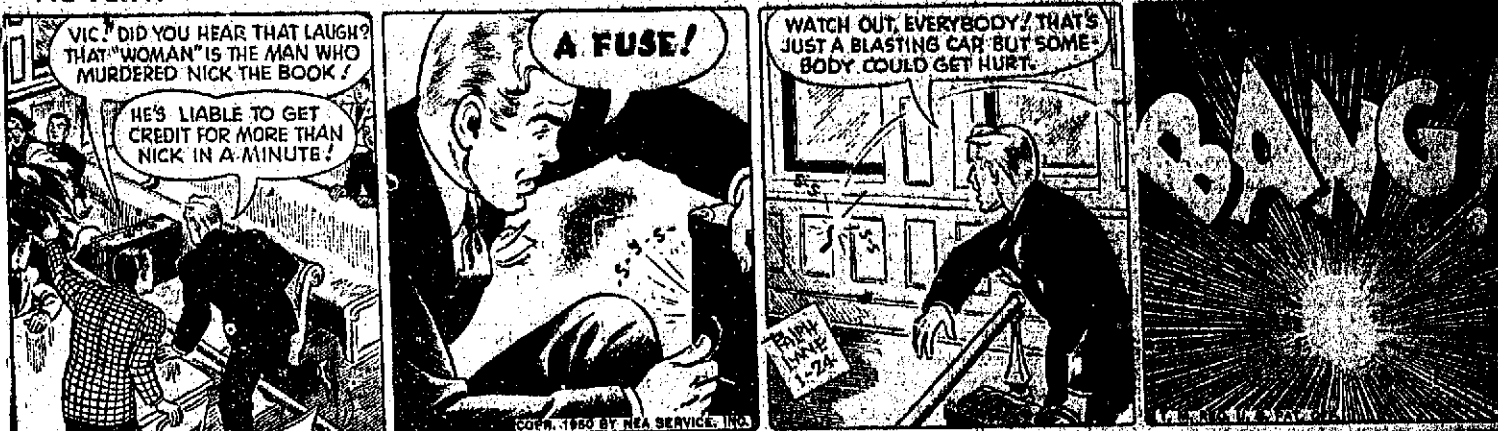
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By J. R. Williams

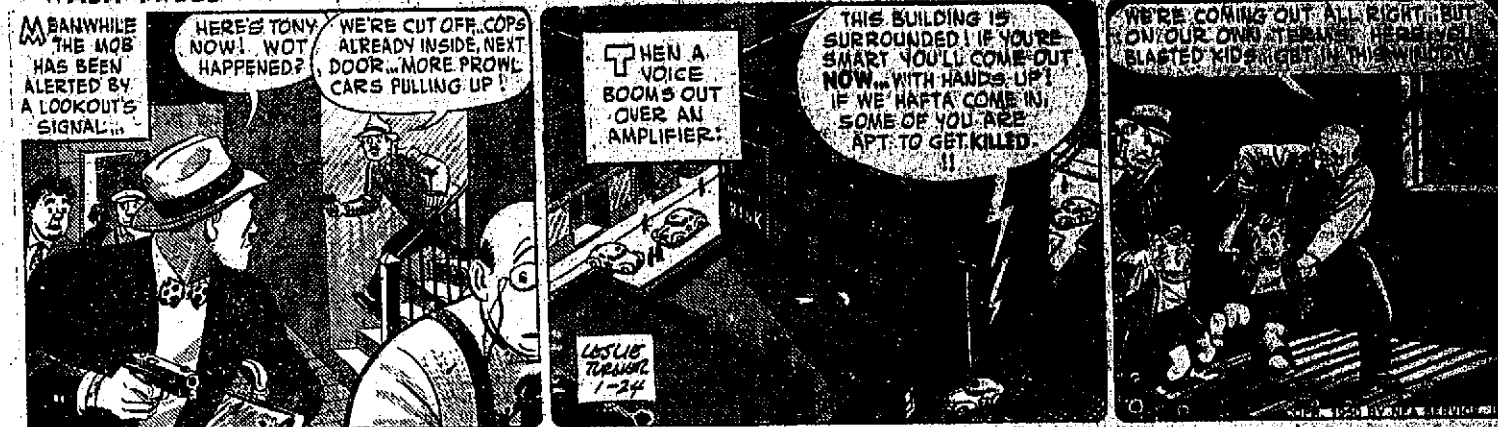


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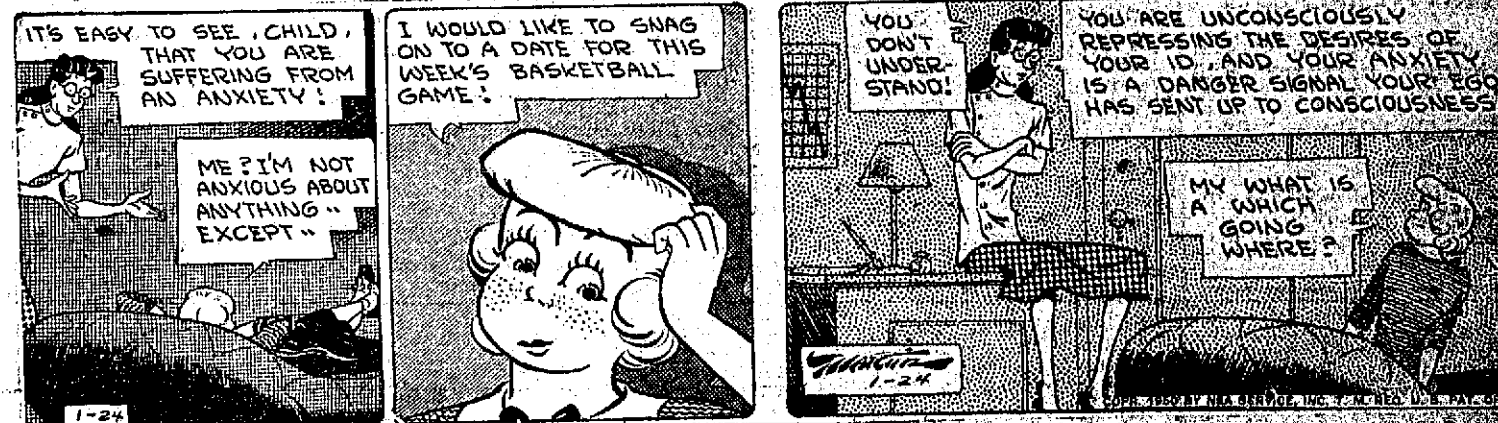
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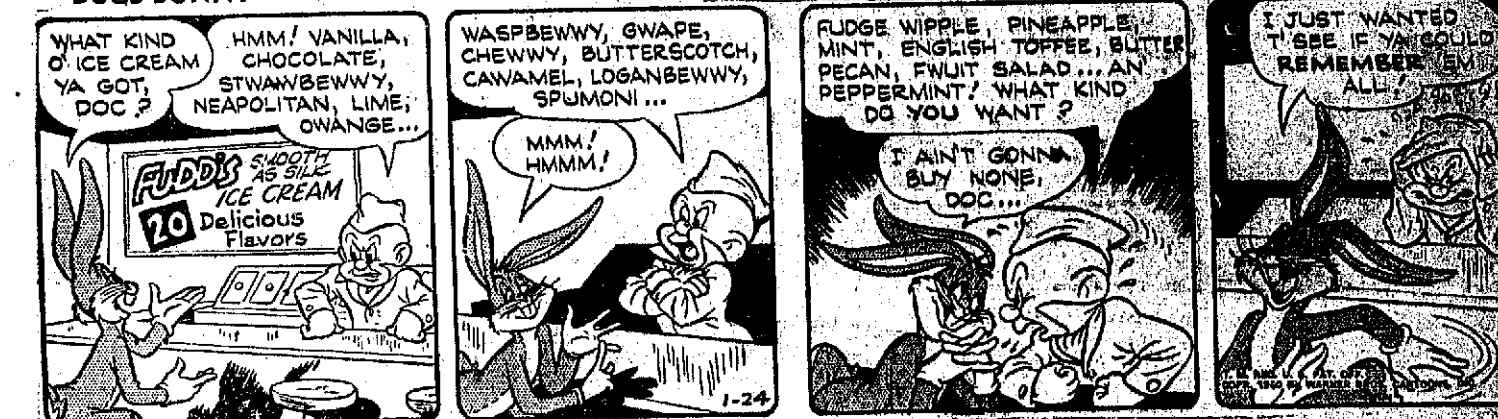
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BOOTS



BUGS BUNNY



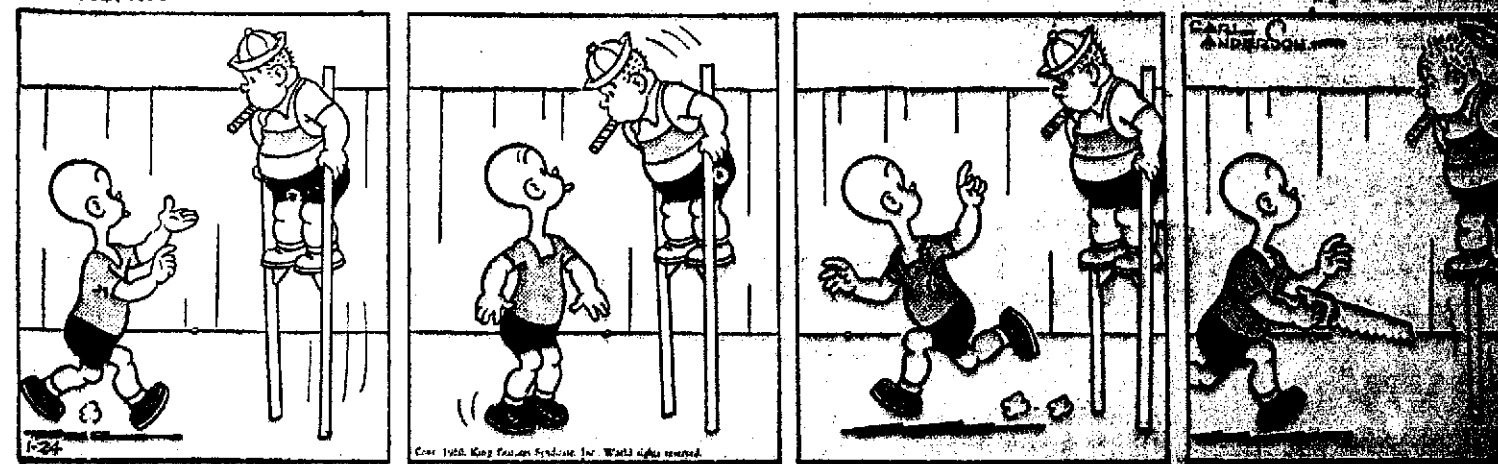
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PRISCILLA'S POP

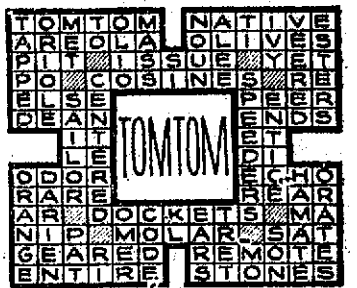


HENRY



Radio Emcee

Answer to Previous Puzzle.



Horizontal
1,4 Depicted
7 Wash
8 Belgian river
9 "Emerald Isle"
11 Too
12 More ill at ease
14 Saver
16 Contrary
17 Mexican coins
18 Build
19 "Coyote State" (ab.)
20 Pronoun
21 Pigpen
24 Observe
26 Of the thing
27 Transpose (ab.)
28 Babylonian deity
29 East Indies (ab.)
30 Through
31 Moccasin
33 Medical suffix
34 handles a quiz show
36 Stone writing tablet
40 Fortification
43 Masseux
45 Body of land
46 Pufferers
48 Parts of circles
49 Hearing distance
50 Born



Vertical
1 Losses blood
2 Employ
3 Extinct bird
4 Mongrel

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



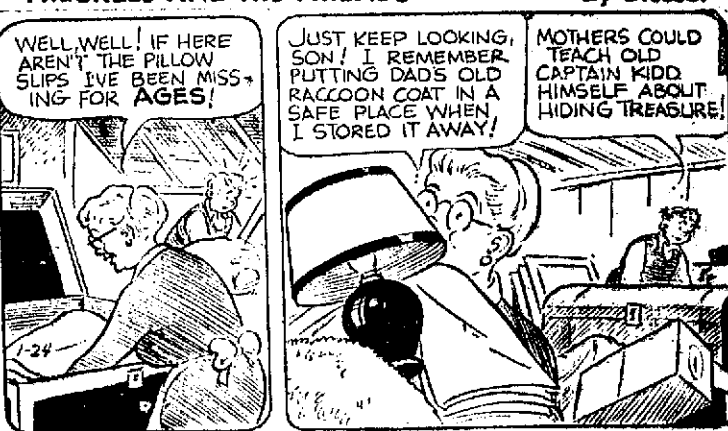
FUNNY BUSINESS

By Hershberger



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Blosser



PRESCOTT NEWS

Wednesday, January 26
The choir of the First Methodist church will have rehearsal Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

There will be a mid-week meeting of the First Christian church Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Choir practice and a special sing-along will be held Wednesday evening at the Central Baptist church.

A mid-week Bible study will be held at the Church of Christ Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

The following mid-week services will be held at the First Baptist church, Wednesday evening: teachers meeting 7; prayer meeting 7:30; choir rehearsal 8:30.

Thursday, January 28
The choir of the First Presbyterian church will meet Thursday evening at 7 o'clock for rehearsal.

A floor sanding demonstration will be held at Mrs. Weldon H. Miller's home in Waterloo, Thursday, Jan. 28. This floor to be sanded is a new floor, typical of most new homes. This demonstration is of interest to the men, women and children of the community. The demonstration will be from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Alton L. Smith will be in charge of equipment and materials used in this demonstration.

Friday, January 27
The chapter of Delta Kappa

Blessed Relief from Cramp Pains

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W. O. W. INSTALLATION

The local W.O.W., No. 28 will install officers for 1950 on Thursday night at 7:30.

There will be a Free Picture Show. State Manager W. A. Maxwell will preside. The public is invited.

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Deputy Commissioner to Germany Dies Suddenly

Berlin, Jan. 24 —(AP)—Colonel William T. Babcock, deputy U. S. commissioner for Berlin who played an active part in East-West disputes over Berlin, died today of a heart attack. He was 52.

Babcock, a former police commissioner of New London, Conn., came to Berlin in 1945. He was stricken while attending a premiere showing of a Hollywood film. He died 13 minutes after taken to the hospital.

Babcock took a prominent part in fighting the 1948-49 Berlin blockade. His latest clash with the Russians came only a few days ago when he authorized West Berlin police to take over a vacant part of Berlin's big railroad headquarters.

The move brought a protest from Maj. Gen. Alexander Kotikov, Soviet commander in Berlin, and set off a junior blockade by which the Russians have been delaying road, railway and river traffic in and out of Berlin. After four days the U. S. ordered West Berlin police to return the building to Soviet control.

Maj. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, U. S. commander, said it was Babcock's "willingness to work to the breaking point and beyond that cost him his life."

Babcock was a native of New Haven, Conn.

party will be enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lewis and daughter Nancy were the Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Lewis in Nashville.

Miss Frances Thrasher spent Saturday in Little Rock.

Mrs. Clifford Johnson, Mrs. Earl Humble, Mrs. Roy Stainton, Mrs. Jack Cooper and Mrs. Leroy Phillips attended an association meeting of the W. M. U. in Arkadelphia Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McRae, Jr. have returned from Temple Tex. where they accompanied Mrs. D. L. McRae, Sr. who remained for observation at Scott-White clinic.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Cox of Hope were the Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarke White. They were accompanied home by little Miss Jennifer Cox who was a weekend guest in the White home.

Miss Dorothy Ann Gee has returned to her home in Dallas after a weekend visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gee, Sr.

Only three states are represented on the 1949-50 University of Arizona 21-man basketball squad — Arizona California and North Dakota.

British New Guinea has about 27 acres for every inhabitant.



BULL SESSION—Getting all slicked up for his part in the March of Dimes is Lost River Domino 17th, with Carole Sartori doing the slicking. Domino will be sold at auction at a Red Bluff, Calif., livestock show, and the proceeds will go to the polo fund drive. The prize animal was donated by Mrs. Mebel Liskey of Klamath Falls, Ore.

Afghanistan Orienting Self With Russia, Poses Another Threat to Struggling India

By DeWITT MacKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The isolated and mountainous state of Afghanistan, heretofore regarded as anti-communist and for generations a buffer between Russia and the Indian peninsula, suddenly has begun orienting her foreign relations toward Red Moscow.

That's a development which easily could create a further threat to the vast peninsula (now comprising the new nations of Pakistan and India) from the swelling communist offensive in Asia. The reason for this startling shift in Afghan sentiment is due to the heated quarrel between Afghanistan

and neighboring Pakistan over the territory surrounding the famous Khyber pass which lies between them.

During the British rule of the peninsula this narrow belt of rocky British territory between India's northwest frontier province and Afghanistan was regarded as a "neutral" zone in which lived the fierce Pathan tribesmen. This was by agreement between Britain and her neighbor. The British left the Pathans alone so long as they behaved themselves.

However, when Pakistan was created as an independent state and took over the northwest frontier province, she claimed she inherited the neutral belt and the Pathans. The tribesmen meantime have been trying to create an independent state called "Pathanistan" and Afghanistan is supporting this native movement. The Afghans say Britain is backing Pakistan.

Anyway, Afghanistan is turning away from the Indian peninsula and is raising its eyes to the spires of the Kremlin, toward which until now it dared not look. For the first time an official Russian trade mission has visited Kabul, the capital, and Russian technicians are being employed by the government.

The whole land side of the Indian peninsula is ringed with the advancing Red host. The conquering Chinese Communists are closing in on Burma. They have an army on the border of Tibet and have announced that they intend to free this "roof of the world" which is asking the democracies for aid to defend itself against the Reds. So the Indian peninsula on its entire extensive land side soon is likely to be in close contact with the communist political drive.

That presumably was part of the background which former Undersecretary of State Will L. Clayton had in mind in addressing the House foreign affairs committee yesterday. He declared that "Stalin is winning the cold war" and that if it continues, the year 1955 "will probably find the Western hemisphere surrounded by communism."

House Delays the Red Hot FEPC Bill

Washington, Jan. 23 — (AP) Speaker Sam Rayburn announced that the House will take up the Alaskan statehood bill today and not the politically hot FEPC bill. Rayburn told newsmen he thought it would be better for the house to consider another bill ahead of FEPC because FEPC was a major factor in last week's heated but unsuccessful effort to change house rules.

The FEPC bill is the keystone of President Truman's civil rights program which is distasteful to southern Democrats, including Rayburn who is a Texan.

Rayburn, as speaker, could have recognized Chairman John Leshinski, (D-Mich.) of the house labor committee who wanted to bring up the FEPC bill. But he decided instead that he would recognize Chairman J. Hardin Peterson, (D-Fla.) of the public lands committee to present the Alaskan statehood bill.

This maneuver sidetracked house consideration of the controversial FEPC bill until at least Feb. 13, but more likely until an even later date.

Rayburn announced his decision after returning from a weekly legislative conference with President Truman. He said he had received no presidential orders to call up the FEPC bill, which would set up a fair employment practices commission that would bar racial or religious discrimination.

Changes Loom in Social Security Law

By JAMES MARLOW

Washington, Jan. 23 —(AP)—This year congress is likely to change the social security law in several ways.

The main changes being talked about would increase social security payments — particularly on old age pensions — and bring more people under the law's protection. Last year the house passed a bill to do this. But the law hasn't been changed because the senate hasn't yet approved.

It is expected to act this year. The law finally passed probably will be different, at least in some ways, from the bill passed by the house.

That's because the senate right now — with the house bill in front of it — is trying to put together a bill of its own.

If the senate passes a bill different from that of the house, both houses will have to take the bills, iron out the differences by compromise and then pass the bill agreed to by both houses.

That's why it's impossible for anyone now to predict exactly what changes there may be in the social security law.

At this moment one thing seems certain if the law is changed: That the size of old-age pensions will be increased.

The house-passed bill would do that. The Truman administration urged it as recently as last week through Arthur J. Altmeyer, commissioner for social security. And it was recommended by the senate's advisory council on social security.

This council, headed by the late Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., and composed of 17 educators, businessmen and labor leaders, was appointed by the senate on Sept. 17, 1947.

Its job was to study the social security program and make any recommendations to the senate it thought necessary for improving the present law.

The report and recommendations of this council — submitted last Dec. 1 — are the basis on which the senate now is preparing to work out a bill of its own, plus what ideas it gets from the house bill, Altmeyer, and others.

The council, the house bill and Altmeyer all recommend widening the coverage of the law to bring under its benefits people not covered now, besides increasing certain benefits, like old age pensions.

While the social security act was passed in 1935, the last major change was made 10 years ago. The maximum old age pension a worker can receive now when he retires at 65 is around \$45 a month. The average, though, is about \$25, the lowest \$10.

Since a retired worker's wife re-

Reds Cripple Traffic to West Germany

Berlin, Jan. 23 —(AP)—Soviet technicalities crippled Berlin truck traffic to West Germany today and delayed three American military trains during the night.

The three U. S. military trains were stalled with delays up to six hours at Helmstedt, on the Soviet zone frontier, by Russian investigation of travel papers of three non-American passengers.

After a telephone call to U. S. Army headquarters at Heidelberg, Soviet officials dropped their inquiry and the trains proceeded.

Passengers riding in the American military coaches were identified as a German, a Brazilian and an Italian. They were not removed by the Russians.

The squeeze on trucks carrying cargo between West Germany and Berlin, started yesterday by high Soviet officers, piled up a line of

ceives half the size of his pension when he reaches 65, the most a retired covered worker and his wife can receive now is about \$75.50 a month (\$45 for him, \$22.50 for her).

But not all workers are covered by the pension. When the uncovered ones reach 65, they get nothing.

Around 35,000,000 workers now are under the old-age pension system, 25,000,000 are not.

Altmeyer, expressing the President's views, wants 20,000,000 of the 25,000,000 workers not covered by old-age insurance brought into the program. This is about 9,600,000 more than the house-passed bill would bring in.

About 2,000,000 of the 11,000,000 men and women 65 or older in this country are getting old age pensions.

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more than 100 waiting vehicles at the Helmstedt checkpoint by noon (local time) today. This class of traffic also was disrupted at Luebeck, on the second most important route to Berlin.

The harassment of Berlin highway supply lines appeared to be a Soviet reprisal for the American attempt to take over a Berlin railway building from Russian control last week.

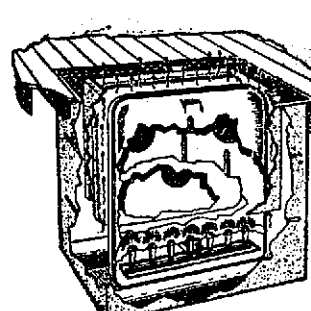
After holding the building for four days with German police, Maj. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, U. S. commander in Berlin, evacuated it Saturday.

Reliable American sources said the building's seizure had been a blunder without Taylor's prior knowledge. Elevated railway service in the Allied sectors of Berlin was drastically reduced at Soviet order until the Americans backed down but it was restored to normal today.

The snarl of truck movements on the Soviet zone frontier was caused by suddenly increased Russian demands for a variety of shipping documents.

Seemingly concerned that the Soviet command might be tempted to impose another blockade on Berlin, a U. S. air forces spokesman at Wiesbaden announced today that six squadrons of American cargo planes "are ready to go if needed" in a new airlift.

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